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REF: CONGRESSMAN JERRY M. PATTERSON'S LETTER TO THE
AMBASSADOR OF MARCH 30, 1978.

H PASS THE HONORABLE JERRY M. PATTERSON, HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515, FROM AMBASSADOR
PATRICK J. LUCEY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF MARCH 30, 1978, ON BEHALF OF
YOUR CONSTITUENT, MR. JIM HEISER, WHO IS CONCERNED ABOUT
THE WHEREABOUTS OF HIS FIANCEE, MS. VANDA RIOS.

BASED ON THE INFORMATION IN YOUR LETTER, AN EMBASSY
EMPLOYEE CONTACTED VARIG AIRLINES' OFFICES IN MEXICO CITY
ON APRIL 7 TO SEE IF THEY HAD ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING
MS. RIOS. THE AIRLINES DID NOT HAVE ANY INFORMATION AND,
IN FACT, INFORMED US THAT A CHECK OF THEIR PASSENGER
MANIFESTS FOR MARCH 17, AND A FEW DAYS BEFORE AND AFTER,
REVEALED NO PASSENGER WITH MS. RIOS' NAME.

GOING ON THE POSSIBILITY THAT MS. RIOS MAY BE A CITIZEN OF
BRAZIL, THE EMBASSY CONTACTED THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THE
BRAZILIAN EMBASSY. MS. MARIA DEL SOCORRO OF THAT EMBASSY
TOLD US THAT SHE TOO HAD TRIED TO LOCATE MS. RIOS BUT
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WITHOUT SUCCESS. IN ADDITION TO CHECKING WITH VARIG
AIRLINES, MS. SOCORRO HAD ALSO CONTACTED THE MEXICAN
IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES, WHO INFORMED HER THAT THEY HAD
NO RECORD CONCERNING MS. RIOS.

IF MR. HEISER IS ABLE TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION CON-
CERNING THE LOCATION FROM WHICH MS. RIOS MADE HER CALL TO

HIM ON MARCH 18, THE EMBASSY WILL BE GLAD TO MAKE FURTHER
INQUIRIES.

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO LET ME KNOW IF I MAY BE OF
ASSISTANCE IN THIS OR ANY OTHER MATTER. LUCEY

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